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For: **URETERAL STENT WITH SMALL BLADDER TAIL(S)**

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TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS

Enclosed are the following documents in response the Restriction/Election of Species Requirement mailed August 11, 2004 for the above-identified application:

- Response to Restriction/Election of Species Requirement
- Petition for Extension of Time
- Request for Approval of Drawing Changes
- Information Disclosure Statement
- Notice of Appeal
- Return receipt postcard
- Other:

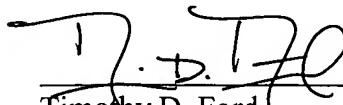
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the restriction requirement mailed August 11, 2004, a response to which is due on September 11, 2004, the Examiner requested that the Applicants elect among the following Groups:

- Group I: Claims 41-56, drawn to a medical device;
- Group II: Claims 57-61 and 63-65, drawn to a method of manufacture; and
- Group III: Claims 62 and 66-70, drawn to method of using.

The Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group I, which is directed to claims 41-56, drawn to a medical device.

Examiner has also required that if Group I is elected, then an election of one of the following alleged species for initial examination must be elected:

Species 1 Figs. 1-3

Species 2 Figs. 4A-4B

Species 3	Figs. 5A-5B
Species 4	Figs. 5A-5B, 6A
Species 5	Figs. 5A-5B, 6B
Species 6	Figs. 5A-5B, 6C
Species 7	Figs. 5A-5B, 6D
Species 8	Figs. 7, 7A, 8, 8A, 8B
Species 9	Fig. 9

The Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Species 9 corresponding to Figure 9. The Applicants submit that at least claims 41-56 read on Species 9, which corresponds to Figure 9.

The Applicants do not believe that extensions of time, fees for net addition of claims, or any other fees are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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